

**CHAPTER NO. 2**

**HOUSE BILL NO. 459**

**By Representative Mumpower**

**Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 277**

**By Senator Ramsey**

AN ACT to amend Chapter 197 of the Private Acts of 1996; and any other acts amendatory thereto, relative to the Mountain Ridge Protection Act of Johnson County.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Chapter 197 of the Private Acts of 1996, and any other act amendatory thereto, is amended by adding the following language to the end of Section 3:

Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing contained herein shall be construed to prohibit the construction and maintenance of windmills and associated apparatus to be used in the generation and transmission of electrical power.

SECTION 2. This act shall have no effect unless it is approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the legislative body of Johnson County. Its approval or nonapproval shall be proclaimed by the presiding officer of the legislative body and certified to the secretary of state.

SECTION 3. For the purpose of approving or rejecting the provisions of this act, it shall be effective upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, it shall become effective as provided in section 2.

**PASSED: February 27, 2003**

  
JIMMY RAIFEH, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

  
JOHN S. WILDER  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

**APPROVED this 7<sup>th</sup> day of March 2003**

  
PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR

